

**SOFT ABSORBENT GARMENT MADE WITH
DISCRETELY COATED ELASTIC ELEMENTS,
AND SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MAKING
A SOFT ABSORBENT GARMENT**

ABSTRACT

A softer absorbent garment is prepared by incorporating elastic strands that are coated around their periphery. The elastic strands are coated with adhesive by immersing them in an adhesive-filled applicator comb prior to applying the elastic strands to the garment. The absorbent garment thus requires less adhesive, and the manufacturing method provides a cleaner work environment.